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HOUSE RESOLUTION 167 By Pruitt

A RESOLUTION To honor and commend Robert Sweat, Jr. on the occasion of the John Wesley United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall being named in his honor.

WHEREAS, The Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to honor and commend exemplary citizens of our state, those who serve God and their risen Savior, by proving valuable assistance to their respective churches and to those in need; and

WHEREAS, It was with great pleasure that we learned the John Wesley United Methodist Church in Nashville will specially recognize the stalwart Christian service of Robert Sweat, Jr., one of their most faithful members, by naming its Fellowship Hall in his honor, an honor he did not seek, but richly deserves; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sweat retired after twenty-two years of distinguished service in the military; and

WHEREAS, He then worked for the Veteran's Administration Hospital, also for twenty-two years; and

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WHEREAS, A thirty-eight year member of the John Wesley United Methodist Church, Mr. Sweat is a true disciple of God and a devoted student of the teachings of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist Movement; he evinces a strong commitment to serving those in need, both members of the church and those outside the church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sweat has faithfully served the John Wesley United Methodist Church as Church Treasurer, Treasurer of Methodist Men, and Chairman of Room In the Inn; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sweat is always available to do whatever is needed; no job is too big or seemingly too minor; and

WHEREAS, His tireless volunteer service is reflective of the finest traditions of the "Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, His wife, Rosie Sweat, and two children are very supportive of him; and WHEREAS, The John Wesley United Methodist Church will dedicate the Robert Sweat Fellowship Hall on July 14, 2001, and it is fitting that we join in celebrating and saluting this exemplary citizen; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and commend Robert Sweat, Jr. for his outstanding service to God and humanity, for being a superb role model, and for having the John Wesley United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall appropriately named in his honor. We extend our best wishes for much continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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